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Precautions given

Violent weather outlook predicted for the Spring

By Mike Crawford

The majority of the weather predictions for this spring are calling for a more violent season than last.

"These predictions are probably right," said Maurice Hackett, science instructor at Northwest Missouri State University.

"This spring will most likely be more violent than last because last spring we had a record low year for violent

weather," said Hackett.

Hackett's personal spring forecast is, "for the next two months to have normal or above normal precipitation. There will be a lot of variability of temperatures because of the active jet stream."

With this week's rather unusual cold weather, students are questioning the arrival of spring. "This weather usually happens every 15 to 20 years," said Hackett. "This weather occurs when large Canadian systems push over Manitoba and are pulled on down by the weather coming in from the west coast."

The high winds that have hindered students on campus are also a little unusual, says Hackett.

"These winds are not quite the same kind experienced every year at this time. The cold dry air masses from Canada are being opposed by the warm moist air masses from the Gulf of Mexico and creating these strong winds," said Hackett.

Along with spring comes the increased chance of tornadoes. "Tornadoes can occur at any given time in any given state, even Alaska," said Hackett. "Tornadoes usually are associated with cold fronts and strong thunderstorms."

"Tornadoes usually travel in a southwest to northeast pattern and usually hit before a storm," said Hackett. "But there are always exceptions to the generalities."

Most tornadoes occur in an area commonly known as Tornado Alley. "Tornado Alley has moved in the recent years but still starts in the Nodaway County area of Missouri and stretches to the Fort Worth area of Texas," said Hackett.

Hackett disagrees that tornadoes always hit when a storm calms down and that the precipitation will stop when a tornado is present. "These things occur sometimes, but not all the time. I do know that, when a tornado hits, it does sound similar to a freight train in a tunnel."

With this being the prime time for tornadoes to strike, there are guidelines to follow in seeking safety.

First, a person should know the difference between a tornado watch and a tornado warning. According to the *Weather Almanac*, a tornado watch means that tornadoes are expected to develop, but have not actually been sighted yet. A tornado warning means that a tornado has been spotted and that a person should seek immediate shelter.

The dorms on campus each have their specific tornado procedures which all dorm residents should familiarize themselves with.

If a person should happen to be caught out on the street when a tornado hits, the book advises to leave the car and seek shelter in a building with a basement. If no buildings are available, a ditch or ravine should be used, and lie

flat on the ground upwind of the parked vehicle.

If an overpass is available, then take shelter behind the concrete pilings in such a way as to put the piling between the person and the approaching tornado.

The book suggests that in homes, the residents should have a plan devised that includes a warning method and selected area for shelter. The best shelter possible, according to the book, is a basement under a sturdy item such as work benches, pool tables or staircases.

If the home does not have a basement, the book suggests that cover be taken under heavily stuffed furniture in the center of the house, away from windows. Also suggested is to seek shelter in a bathroom or interior closet. Several windows on different sides of the house should be opened to allow air circulation.

The book is quick to point out that shelter should not be taken in bathrooms with an outside wall on the south or west side of the home. If none of these possibilities are available, shelter should be sought on the east or north side of the lowest level.

Mobile homes are a different story. Mobile home residents should leave their trailer and seek shelter in a nearby building or go to a ditch or ravine on the west or south side of the mobile home.

The book also states that the head and eyes should always be protected and to have a battery-operated radio available at all times.

"Tornadoes can sometimes strike out of clear air," Hackett said.

Student Senate to distribute money from budget

The Student Senate is concentrating efforts on the program for student fund distribution. Senate President Linda Borgedalen said President Owens finalized the proposal for the program which will authorize the Senate to allocate the funds to student organizations.

The Senate will receive over \$119,000 in funds to which student organizations may submit requests. A special projects fund is also being set up for the first time.

Borgedalen said that she is really excited about the new program and urges people interested to attend a program meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Sycamore Room of the Student Union. Student Senate election applications

are available now until April 13 in the Student Senate office. A rules meeting will be held April 13 at 6 p.m. in the Sycamore Room and all applicants must be present or send a representative.

The campaign will run for one week and the election will be held April 20. This year the office of secretary/treasurer will be separated. All applicants must attend the rules meeting and a discrepancy meeting on April 20.

Borgedalen said the March 29 bloodmobile was a success. She said over 200 pints of blood were taken. Blue Key and Hudson Hall were the bloodmobile contest winners.

The Senate is also looking into the possibility of getting library hours extended during finals week.

Dead Week proposal for the Wed., Thurs., and Fri., before finals was sent to the Faculty Senate.

The lack of hot water for morning showers was attributed to lowering the water supply temperature from 160 degrees to 110 degrees and the increased number of morning showers taken by students. The problem should be solved when the new wood-burning plant is in operation.

An Environmental Affairs Committee was formed, in cooperation with Dr. Bush, to inform students of planning, developments and construction on campus. An information board will be posted by Bobby Bearcat for student information.



Working Around the Clock...

Workers are working high on the tower of the Nodaway County courthouse. The courthouse has been under repair all year. [Missourian Photo/Nic Carlson]

Trucking bill fails; school bond passes in Nodaway County

By Dwayne McClellan

Proposition A, which would have allowed heavier and longer trucks on Missouri's highways, was the highlight of the April 6 election, but lacked support in Missouri's larger cities and was defeated.

The trucking issue, which had been heavily debated, was passed in the rural areas of Missouri, but the larger areas of Kansas City and St. Louis led to its demise.

Final votes showed 405,438 for Proposition A and 463,236 voting against it. Nodaway County voters, however, supported the issue.

Other issues in the election were the Maryville R-2 School District seeking approval on a \$415,000 bond issue and the Nodaway County Ambulance District asking for a levy increase.

Also up for election was one City Council term and two terms on the Maryville Board of Education.

In the Ambulance District vote, the Nodaway County voters approved the issue by a margin of 2,116 to 2,025. A simple majority was needed for that issue to pass.

The voters also said yes to the Maryville School District's plea for the bond issue.

"The issue will be taken care of by the levy debt as it will be extended approximately six years past the current expiration date of 1985," said Dr. Roland H. Tullberg, superintendent of the Maryville school district.

In the city council race, Keith Walburn ran unopposed. This is Walburn's third term, as he had previously served two years as mayor.

On the R-II board race, Harold Poynter and Connie McGinnis ran unopposed for their seats on the Board of Education.

The Maryville School District bond issue was concerned with five main projects. These projects were:

Repair and insulation of four roofs--Eugene Field Elementary School, Maryville High School, Multi-purpose building and the Northwest area Vo-Tech school--\$306,405.

Repair and insulation of walls at the elementary and vo-tech schools--\$15,313.

Repair and insulation of windows at Washington Middle School and the high school--\$12,320.

Installation of safety, fire and smoke alarm systems in five district buildings--\$29,000.

Replacement of a buckled elementary school gym floor--\$13,000.

The board is also required to retain engineering services at a cost of around \$3,000 and a standard contingency fee of \$37,644, the pamphlet said.

"I feel elated," Tullberg said. "The public was able to respond in a positive way. Most people are hurting for money with the high interest rates and for them to come out and vote like they did, it was great."

Tullberg said that, with the bond passage, the school district will be selling the bonds in four to six weeks.

With a lot of money at stake, Tullberg said the district got out and looked at a lot of things and spent a lot of time looking at the districts' needs.

Unlike the school district, the so-called "big truck" issue failed, thus putting some truckers at a standstill on what happened and what will happen in the future.

The truck issue sought to raise weight limits on trucks from 72,280 to 80,000 pounds and the length from 55 feet to 60 feet.

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Campus groups to help with Annual Special Olympics

By Deb Cowden

The 13th annual Area I Special Olympics will be held on April 14 in Rickenbrode Stadium at 10 a.m. in case of rain the date will be April 15.

Competitors from a 12 County area will be competing in a variety of track and field events, with swimming being a newly added event.

Gerald Wright, organizer of the Special Olympics and assistant professor of elementary and special education said he will be assisted by students in his "Organizing and Supervising Olympics" class as well as various campus organizations.

The 30 members of the "Organizing and Supervising Olympics" class received training on coaching special olympics.

"By actually coaching, the students can receive a certificate from the National Special Olympics," Wright said. "The students from the class will be in charge of the events and decision-making during the Olympics."

"The Youth Association for Retarded Citizens will also be helping with the Olympics," Wright said.

"YARC is a volunteer organizations made up of Northwest Missouri State University students. They mainly volunteer to help with the recreation program for retarded citizens. This year, YARC has put in over 800 hours of volunteer help," said Wright.

Contestants in the Special Olympics range in age from under eight years old to over 60. To kick off the Olympics

parade by all contestants will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the track.

"Throughout the day, students from the fine arts department will be presenting five to 10 minute skits from the Thurbur Carnival," Wright said. "Students in the Children's Literature class will also be telling stories during the day. Trampoline and parachute activities will be provided as entertainment for the contestants."

Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the Special Olympics should attend an organizational meeting on April 12 in room 212 of Horace Mann Elementary School at 5 p.m.

Students don't subsidize

University Club isn't self-supporting

By Susan Patterson

The University Club at Northwest Missouri State University is not operated on funds provided from student food board contracts, said Dr. John Mees, vice president of student development.

The University Club, located on the third floor of the Student Union, was opened in 1980 as an alternate eating facility for faculty and students.

"I'm sure the president (Dr. B.D. Owens) thought he needed a place to entertain, as well as for local people, faculty and students," said Carl Timm, ARA Food Service director. "I assume those were the basic reasons."

A question was raised by a NWMSU student in the March 26 issue of the *Northwest Missourian* concerning the budget of the University Club.

When the club was first organized, the ARA food service contributed \$6,000 to the institution, for a five year period, towards the development and cost of starting the U Club and deli, Mees said. The University Club, deli, snack bar

and catering service are a few of the auxiliary cost centers at Northwest. These centers are run on non-contracted money.

"All of these auxiliary cost centers help balance each other," Mees said. "Food service is just one phase of auxiliary funding."

Currently, it takes approximately \$750 a month to operate the U Club, said Timm. This sum includes labor, food and cost.

"We're running in a deficit now, but every week we reduce it substantially," Timm said.

The University Club is run on a straight profit and loss system, according to Timm, but has never shown a profit in its two years of operation.

"Anytime you start a new unit it may not make money," Mees said. "The deli, snack bar and catering service are all established and offset it (the U Club). We're working to get the U Club self-supporting."

An \$18,000 deficit was allocated for the U Club for the past year. Timm estimates that only \$8,000 of this has been used so far this year.

"In five to six years we want to try and get it on a cost-paying basis," Mees said. "Some auxiliary aries gain more, some lose during a period of time."

"We're not subsidizing the U Club with money from meal plans," Mees said. "The contract meal program is in a separate accounting system."

"We do not intermingling the cash side and the contracted side," Timm said. "The students don't subsidize it (the U Club)."

The University receives a 13 percent commission of all ARA cash sales at Northwest. This amounts to approximately \$3,500 a month, Timm said.

"The University Club is not elitist," Mees said. "It has been opened to a wide variety of people and has begun to gain the number of people going there."

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Auditions to be held April 17

Auditions for Northwest's Bearcat Steppers and Flag Corps for the 1982-83 school year will be April 17 at 9 a.m. in the Olive Deluce Fine Arts Building. Band directors Al Sergel and Ernest Woodruff are in charge of the auditions. "We are very excited about our feature groups for next year," said Sergel. "There is a high percentage of returners which will provide us with excellent leadership and experience."

Sergel also said they are expecting many to audition for both groups. Each girl auditioning will be required to learn a routine, and will then be given time for individual practice. She will then perform the routine for a selection committee. The audition routine will include fundamental skills necessary to perform during the football season. Those interested in the auditions should contact Sergel or Woodruff at the fine arts building or call extension 1317 for specific details.

Workshop set for April 17

The **Outdoor Program** is sponsoring a free nature photography workshop Saturday, April 17. Anyone interested in learning some pointers on how to take better pictures of the outdoors is invited to attend the workshop. The workshop will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Sycamore Room of the J.W. Jones Student Union. Basic knowledge of 35mm camera operation is recommended.

McGuire's report takes third

John McGuire, junior broadcasting major at Northwest Missouri State University, received a third-place award in radio depth reporting in the Region VII Sigma Delta Chi competition.

McGuire's report was on rural crime. The report aired on KXCV-FM, Northwest's national public radio station. The report was prepared as an assignment in a broadcast journalism course taught by Jeff McCall, instructor of broadcast casting at Northwest.

The Region VII includes colleges and universities in Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and a portion of Illinois.

McGuire is the sports coordinator, play-by-play announcer and announcer for KXCV. He also serves as sports director and announcer on KDLX, the campus carrier.

Honors assembly to be held

Students at Northwest Missouri State University will be rewarded for academic excellence, potential, leadership and service at the 33rd annual Honors Assembly April 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The public is invited to attend the Honors Assembly, which this year is under the direction of Dr. David Slater, honors committee chairman.

Scholarships are awarded

Foreign language scholarships for the 1982-83 academic year were awarded to Kim McAndrews, Clarinda, Iowa; Robin Clarke, Norwalk, Iowa; and Sandra Shellberg, Stanton, Iowa.

McAndrews and Clarke were awarded the Mary Jackson Foreign Language Scholarships. McAndrews' scholarship is to be used in her studies of Spanish, and Clarke's is for her studies in French. Those scholarships are for \$200 each.

Shellberg was awarded the Joyce and Harvey White Scholarship. This scholarship is for \$500 and will be used in her study of French.

Running club to meet April 8

I am forming a running club for all interested individuals, including beginners and novice runners," said Pam Medford, Northwest track coach.

The goals of the club and a sign up sheet for interested runners will be talked about at the meeting April 8 at 7:30 p.m. in rm. 101 in Martindale Gym.

"A \$1 fee will be charged and a log book will be given to each member. T-shirts will be given at certain "goal miles," said Medford.

AAUW to sponsor book sale

The AAUW is sponsoring a book sale on April 17 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Maryville Public Library Basement.

Anyone wishing to donate books is welcome. Donated books are to be left in one of the cans around town or in the can in Wells Library or call 582-4116 for assistance.

Proceeds from the book sale will be used for future scholarships.

Rickman co-authors article

Dr. Jon Rickman, director of computing services at Northwest Missouri State University, has co-authored an article, **On-Line Terminal Response Time: The Effects of Background Activity**, which will appear this summer in the publication, **Information Management**, the international journal of information systems. The journal is published by North-Holland Publishing Company in Amsterdam.

Assisting Rickman in writing the paper was James Conklin of Bell Telephone Laboratories in Holmdel, N.J., and Dr. Malcolm Gotterter, professor at Florida International University.

The paper was written following a study of a down loaded computing network which was developed in New York City by the authors.

Bowman to lecture at KU

Brent A. Bowman, Northwest Missouri State University instructor of woodwinds, will be an invited guest lecturer April 11 and 12 at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

He will speak at a University of Kansas-hosted Research Symposium on the Psychology of Music being coordinated by KU's department of art, music education and music therapy.

Bowman will present his study entitled, **The Relationship of Musical Aptitude, Music Background, Self-Esteem, and Social Status on the Attitudes of Elementary Students Toward Music**.

Researchers from around the country will attend the symposium.

McIntyre to present concert

John McIntyre, one of the nation's premier concert pianists and teachers, will present a concert at Northwest Missouri State University on April 13 at 8 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater.

McIntyre has concertized extensively in North America and Europe performing solo recitals, concertos and chamber music. He has also appeared on several CBC television and radio productions in Toronto and Vancouver in Canada.

He has studied in Toronto, Boston and Paris with such distinguished teachers as Alberto Guerrero, Bela Nagy and Vlado Perlemuter.

During his studies he has won many awards, including the Ravel Medal and a Canada Council Grant.

The concert is free and open to the public, said Peggy Bush, University assistant professor of music and sponsor of the University's MENC chapter.

Teacher placement day scheduled for April 20

By Marnita Helm

The annual teacher placement day will be held on April 20 in the J.W. Jones Union Ballroom, said Marvin Silliman, director of career planning and placement.

Teacher placement day gives area students, interested in teaching and student teachers the chance to get together with superintendents and principals from various school districts concerning job opportunities in those districts.

Approximately 100 school districts from a 100 mile radius of Maryville will be in attendance for teacher placement day.

"Superintendents and principals in school districts from Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas will bring job openings from their schools with them for students to look at," Silliman said. "Each school will be assigned a table where interested students can visit with these representatives."

Students from Northwest, as well as four other area Universities have been invited to participate April 20.

"This also gives the superintendents and principals first hand information about the prospective student," Silliman

said. "After this day, the school district usually follows up with applications and letters requesting indepth interviews for students that interest them."

"The Universities send students down for a brief five to 10 minute interview with these superintendents and principals," said Silliman. "The students bring their resumes and use this time to introduce themselves to the representatives and to gain background information about jobs that interest them."

All the state schools hold a teacher placement day. The schedules of these days are varied so that students who miss one of these meetings can attend another one at a different University if they want to. Most of the district school representatives go to more than one of these meetings.

"I feel that this is a very good idea," said Silliman. "The school boards and superintendents seem to like the idea as

well. This is a good chance for students to get a feel of a real interview and to find out some job openings in their career fields. Statewide, the placement day seems to work for everyone. I'm sure it will be continued for a long time," Silliman said.



Rob Goodale of the Delta Chi Fraternity helps in registration of Northwest students. "It's good that some organizations help out with the University cause," said Steve Hall, assistant registrar. [Missourian Photo/Nic Carlson]

Phi Eta Sigma designed to honor achievements

By Kim Jones

An organizational meeting for the founding of a NWMSU chapter of Phi Eta Sigma, Freshman National Honor Society, was held Wednesday, April 7, in the Spanish Den, said Dr. Phil Hayes, University dean of students.

Phi Eta Sigma was founded in 1923 and currently has more than 180 chapters across the United States with some 280,000 members. "It is designed to honor academic achievement," Hayes said.

Dr. Hayes, who will be the chapter's advisor, said eligibility is based on achieving a 3.50 or better during the first semester, the first and second semester cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or the cumulative grade point average of the first and second semesters plus summer school.

Any upperclassmen meeting those criteria are also eligible. "Membership is based solely on academic accomplish-

ment in the student's first semester or first year," Hayes said.

"A student can not have transferred in more than 20 semester hours and must be taking a normal load (12 hours) toward a bachelor's degree," Hayes said.

Initiation and presentation of charter will be held on Tuesday evening April 27 in the J.W. Jones Union. Ceremonies will be conducted by Dr.

James Foy, Auburn University, the society's grand secretary-treasurer.

Eligible students interested in membership should contact Dr. Hayes no later than April 16. His office is in the director's office in the student union, ext. 1154.

"I am excited about the organization and feel it's an excellent opportunity to reward academic excellence," Hayes said.

Students attend debate nationals

By Deb Cowden

Debaters Bruce Williamson and John Jacoby, along with debate coach Dr. Roy Leeper, returned home Sunday from the national debate tournament at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Fla., that was held April 2-5.

The Northwest team won three and lost five in the national tournament. Williamson and Jacoby won against the University of Illinois, the University of California and Mercer College. The squad lost to the University of Arizona, the University of Massachusetts, Stanford University, Emporia College and Wake Forest.

Jacoby and Williamson were Northwest's third national tournament entry in the last four years. Their fourth place win in the District Debate Tournament at the University of Kansas allowed them to advance to the National Tournament. The Northwest squad was the only Missouri debate team entered in the national contest.

Sixty teams from 48 schools participated in the nationals, said Leeper. Leeper said the four semi-finalists in the tournament were Redlands, Dartmouth, Louisville and Kentucky colleges.

March 19-21, Scott Ahrens and Steve Rush won five and lost three in the preliminaries at the National Jr. Division Championships at Johnson County Community College in Kansas City, Mo.

At the end of the school year, Northwest will lose Jacoby, Williamson and Rush, said Leeper. Ahrens will be the only returning squad member. Jacoby will graduate in May with a degree in political science, while Williamson, a speech major, will complete his college education during the summer.

Leeper said he feels the year has been a successful one. He is currently looking at 20-25 prospective debaters from various high schools for the 1982-83 school year.

INTENT TO REGISTER FOR 1982 SUMMER SESSION(S)

In order to insure that your permit to enroll, your academic advisement sheet, and your enrollment schedule will be in the general registration area in the J.W. Jones Union Ballroom, you are requested to complete the information below and return this form to the Registrar's Office no later than Monday, May 10, 1982. Failure to do so will require you to go the Registrar's Office on the day of general registration on June 5 to pick up your advisement sheet and to fill out the new enrollment schedule by hand.

NAME _____ SS# _____

PLEASE CHECK: ☐ FIRST SESSION ☐ SECOND SESSION ☐ BOTH SESSIONS

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FINAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE		
SPRING SEMESTER, 1981-82		
Final Exams begin at 7:30 a.m., May 3, and end at 6:00 p.m., May 7, 1982		
Classes meeting for the first time in the week:	Date and hour of final examination:	
4:00 Monday.....	Monday, May 3,	7:30 a.m.
12:00 Tuesday.....		10:00 a.m.
10:00 Monday.....		1:00 p.m.
2:00 Tuesday.....		3:30 p.m.
Biology 102.....		7:00 p.m.
3:00 Monday.....	Tuesday, May 4,	7:30 a.m.
10:00 Tuesday.....		10:00 a.m.
8:00 Monday.....		1:00 p.m.
11:00 Tuesday.....		3:30 p.m.
Accounting 101 and 102.....		7:00 p.m.
4:00 Tuesday.....	Wednesday, May 5,	7:30 a.m.
Political Science 102.....		10:00 a.m.
12:00 Monday.....		1:00 p.m.
2:00 Monday.....		3:30 p.m.
Speech 101.....		7:00 p.m.
9:00 Tuesday.....	Thursday, May 6,	7:30 a.m.
11:00 Monday.....		10:00 a.m.
Chemistry 113, 115, and 117.....		1:00 p.m.
8:00 Tuesday.....		3:30 p.m.
History 155.....		7:00 p.m.
1:00 Monday.....	Friday, May 7,	7:30 a.m.
9:00 Monday.....		10:00 a.m.
1:00 Tuesday.....		1:00 p.m.
3:00 Tuesday.....		3:30 p.m.
UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE CLASSES THAT MEET AT NIGHT WILL TEST ON LAST CLASS MEETING DURING FINAL EXAMINATION WEEK		
NOTE: ALL SECTIONS OF		
Biology 102.....	May 3,	7:00 p.m.
Accounting 101 and 102.....	May 4,	7:00 p.m.
Political Science 102.....	May 5,	10:00 a.m.
Speech 101.....	May 5,	7:00 p.m.
Chemistry 113, 115, and 117.....	May 6,	1:00 p.m.
History 155.....	May 6,	7:00 p.m.

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What's the forecast for tomorrow?



Students should take responsibility for voting in elections

Students have an important responsibility to be carried out on April 20--Student Senate election day. These elections do not seem to carry much weight with the students, as can be seen in past election turnout counts.

Student government plays a big role in campus life. In fact, they now have the responsibility of allocating the funds to student organizations. As more responsibility is delegated to the Senate, the more consideration students should give to who will be representing them, and that means taking the trouble to review the candidates and cast a ballot.

Student campaigns will begin April 12. All students should take the time to become familiar with the candidates. They should review each candidate's position on the different issues and know the opposing stands of each.

Ballots should ideally be cast because the candidate's views agree with those of the voter. But, all too often, a vote is given because a name is first on the ballot, has a nice ring to it or is accompanied by a pleasing picture. Students should take the time to vote intelligently.

Past elections have been won by slim margins, so a vote or two can really make a difference. In the last student election, less than 75 students took the time to vote. Is this an indication of the way students will vote in the future? Voter apathy at this stage can only lead to apathy at the local, state and national level elections.

People are always complaining about their lack of power in their government and can always find the time to put it down. But, each year, fewer and fewer of these people are taking the time to exercise their right to vote.

Students should take an active interest in the student government and take the time and trouble to familiarize themselves with each candidate's views, and most importantly, they should use their power to vote.

Letters to the Editor

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Also, the bill would have allowed 20,000 pounds on a single axle, up from the previous limit of 18,000. The tandem axle weight would have to be raised from 32,000 to 34,000 pounds.

Except for pickups and vans, the annual registration fee would have gone up 25 percent. This is where the expected revenue would come from to fix the roads.

The bill was actually put on the ballot by a group of petitioners who gathered enough signatures after Missouri Governor Christopher Bond ok'd the bill in 1981.

Opponents cite a recent survey which explained that one tractor trailer with five axles loaded to the limit would cause as much pavement damage as 9,660 cars.

Opponents also argued that safety was a prime concern. There would be more of a disadvantage to motorists sharing the highways with the trucks.

On the other side of the coin, the proponents of the issue admitted that damage would be done, but the revenue expected would offset the maintenance costs.

One trucking agent cited that they had a similar situation in Iowa, but they

didn't have any trouble with it and he didn't think that Missouri would have any trouble either.

"When I was in Iowa, we had it and there wasn't any trouble with it," said James Richey, a local agent for Crouse Carriage. "I don't think that it would cause any trouble for Missouri either."

With the failure of the issue, it left some truckers feeling uneasy about the future.

"They (voters) passed everything that was going to add onto their taxes, but they voted down something that would have added revenue," Richey said. "It seemed like the people needed to be better informed."

"Missouri might as well have that extra weight on their trucks as all the western states do," said Wayne Taylor, a trucker from Conception Jct. "I don't think that the public knows that much on the issue, and I don't think that they should have decided."

"I think that the voters were a little wrong in their decision," said Brian Funchelo, an independent trucker. "The voters pass things that cost them more money, but reject things that bring money in. To me it just doesn't make any sense at all."

AC worth rate hike

Dear Editor:

It has come to my attention, and many others' in Phillips Hall, that next year's change in the housing system is a mistake.

I realize that there are budget problems, but it seems that the worst are affecting the Taylor Commons area: our parking lots have a number of potholes that are becoming increasingly worse, without any attempt to repair them. Now the University wants to cut out our air conditioning for next fall. The high rise dorms don't have windows in the hallways or bathrooms which could cause some ventilation problems, especially on upper floors.

Also, if a student makes any attempt to cool a room without air conditioning, bugs, mosquitoes and other insects can

get into the room, because housing will not supply screens on all the windows of the high rise dorms.

Air conditioning has cost high rise residents an additional \$20 a semester, and I feel that many of us would be willing to pay the extra cost for the convenience, which is only run about six weeks out of the year. Some students also have hay fever and allergies and they need to be in air conditioning to keep the bad effects at a minimum.

Since this change will affect about 1,150 of the 2,600 total housing residents at NWMSU, the University may find out that this decision could increase problems. With rising University housing costs and fewer accommodations, many of us could seek better living conditions off campus.

Larry Peterson

Moslem support for Iran

Dear Editor:

How could a revolution lack the people's support for its transcendent ideals while holding to its slogans of "Independence, Freedom," and "Islamic Republic?"

The Iranian Islamic Revolution is essentially popular. For it won victory by the imperishable power of Muslim masses, and was continued by a heroic nation who, from factories and farms to classrooms and war fronts, has kept up her active and fruitful presence. Our united, striving and pious people have all been the combatants self-sacrificing protectors of this revolution; and the system of Islamic Republic is founded on the active and extensive participation of people in social affairs.

In the Islamic and Revolutionary Iran of today, millions of Muslims labor unflinchingly in more than 20 revolutionary institutions, among which are the Army, Revolutionary Guards Corps, Oppressed People's Mobilization, Reconstruction Crusade, and other sectors of society such as factories, farms, schools, etc. Iranians masses of people live in enduring unity like a turbulent sea: they rage and strike, removing the unbelie-

hypocrisy, inequality, oppression and tyranny prevalent in the world. People love Imam Khomeini, their revolutionary and uncompromising leader, and cry out in unison all over Iran. Thirty-six million people express the embodiment of independence, freedom, and true Islam.

Those who have been intimidated by the propagandas, and those who feed on lies are groups of outsiders--supported terrorists (such as Mojahedin, Peykar, Fadali, etc, who all have communist ideology). These terrorist groups try to create a state of frustration and exhaustion among the people by terrorizing the popular leaders of Islam, who have been elected by 95 percent of the people. Nevertheless, the people not only do not get frustrated, but also become firmer in their beliefs and faiths to Islam and Imam Khomeini.

Those who under the influence of the falsified atmosphere of propagandas created by enemies of Islamic Revolution are certainly unaware of Iran's great victories in the war, and powerful unity between the people and the Islamic Republic government.

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Area children learn to swim

By Deb Cowden

The aquatic center has proven to be an asset to the University with the "Learn to Swim" program being one of the many activities offered.

This is the second year the "Learn to Swim" program has been in existence, said Lewis Dyche, Northwest Missouri State University swim instructor. The program is for children in the Maryville and surrounding area, said Dyche. Twenty-three children came from Rock Port, Savannah and Conception Junction in Missouri to take lessons, said Dyche.

The lessons are free and the only qualification the children must meet is they must be at least four feet tall, said Dyche. Many children were turned away because they weren't quite four feet tall.

Around 160 children receive swim lessons on weeknights. These children, who will receive a total of 12 hours of instruction, are usually non-swimmers who haven't had much experience, said Dyche.

On Saturday morning, 98 advanced swimmers meet for lessons. They will receive a total of ten hours of instruction, said Dyche.

Monday and Wednesday afternoons, third, fourth, fifth and sixth grade Horace Mann students meet for lessons that will last six weeks, said Dyche.

Forty-eight college students instruct and supervise the lessons, said Dyche. Many are in the Water Safety Instructor class and some just volunteer their time, said Dyche. Parents in town have also been volunteering as aides.

At the beginning of each lesson, students break down into small groups of four or five and work on various skills, said Dyche. This gives them a chance to work on a one-to-one basis with the instructor, said Dyche.

At the end of the lesson, Dyche said, the students have a "show period." During this time, the students show Dyche what they have accomplished during that particular lesson. Parents are allowed to watch the lessons and they encourage students to do their best, said Dyche. About five or ten minutes is given as "free time" at the end of each lesson, so students can practice whatever they wish, said Dyche.

Along with swimming techniques, the students are taught the proper use of life jackets and other water safety devices, said Dyche.

Kim Hinderks, sophomore WSI class instructor, said, "I think it's a good opportunity for kids to have a chance to swim out of the regular season. It's also a good experience for people who haven't taught before. It also gives the kids a headstart on the lessons that are

offered in the summer."

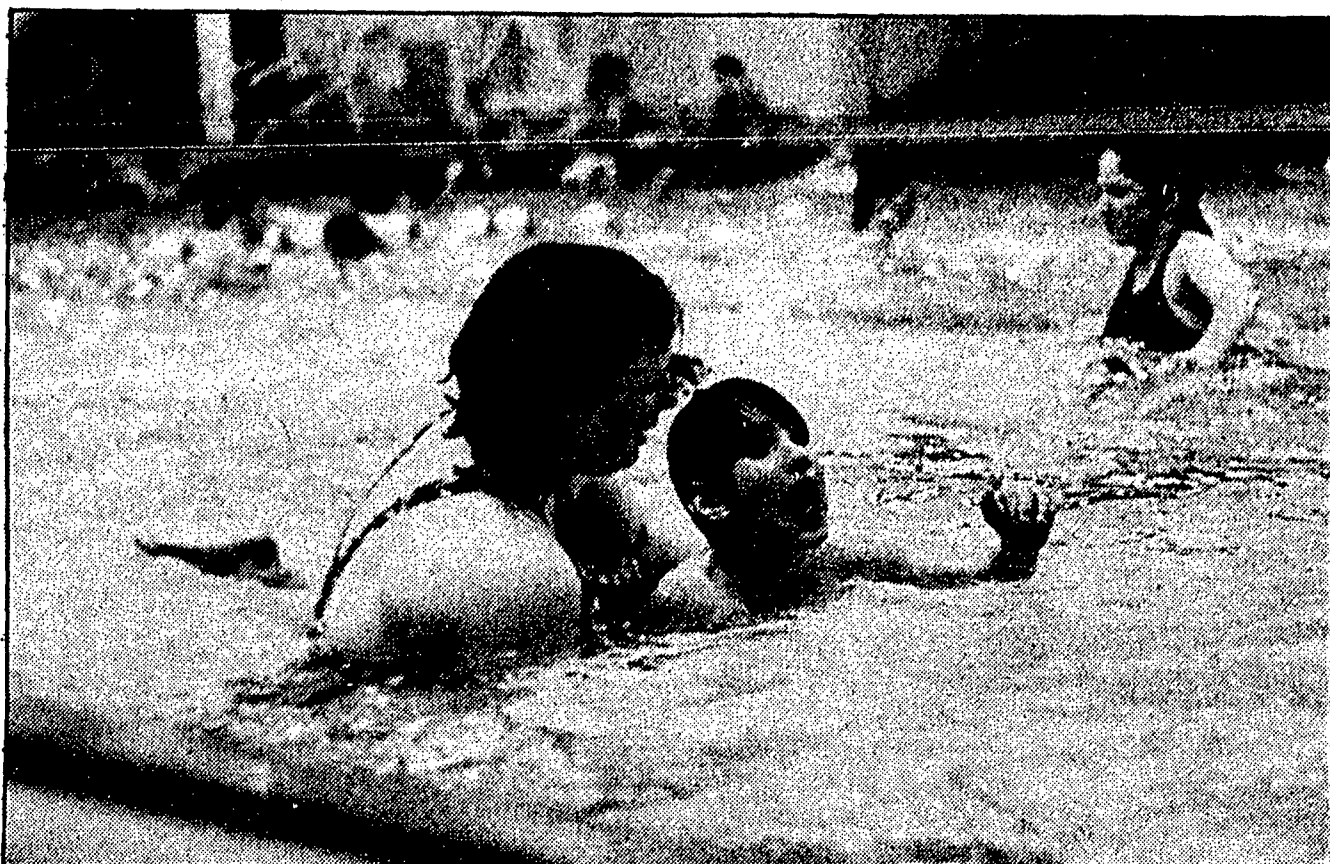
Parents of the children participating in the program also feel that the program is a very beneficial one.

Kathy Moses, Maryville, said, "I think it's great that they offer the program. It's free of charge and the facilities are excellent." Moses said this is the first time her son, Josh, 6, has ever taken swimming lessons.

Tim Bonner, Maryville, said, "I appreciate the fact that the University has offered this program." Bonner said he feels the program is a very good one. The good response shows that there is a need and demand for the lessons. Bonner's daughter Marigny, 6, just barely made it over the four foot mark. Bonner said the program will help his daughter become better prepared for summer swimming lessons.

Dyche said the instructors are hoping to have a weiner roast or pizza party for all of the students before the lessons are over.

If you haven't been swimming, you may want to do so before the school year is over. The aquatic center is an excellent facility that is available for student use throughout the week. Daily hours are from 5 to 9 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 5 to 6 p.m. on Thursdays and from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.



Sarah Browning helps Randy Poppin get the feel of the water. Browning is one of the 48 college instructors helping with the learn to swim program. [Missourian Photo/Nic Carlson]

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Jewish Passover celebrates release from slavery

By Debbie Garrett

The fourteenth day of Nisan marks the start of the Jewish holiday Passover.

Nisan, the Jewish calendar, differs from our present-day calendar in that this fourteenth day corresponds with parts of March and April.

Passover also falls on different days from year to year because the two calendars don't coincide. Passover began Thursday, April 8, and will last for eight days.

Pasch, as the Jewish call it, is celebrated to commemorate one release from slavery in Egypt, when Moses led

the Jews out, said Harold Stein, a Jewish student at Northwest.

"It's to commemorate what our ancestors went through," he said.

Moses prophesized death to all first-born children in Egypt, so the Hebrews sprinkled lamb's blood in their doorways. This sprinkling of the lamb's blood was an old tradition that warded off the plague.

The Angel of Death slew all first-born children in Egyptian homes, but he "passed over" those of the Hebrews.

Today, Passover is celebrated more from tradition, said Brad Brenner,

another Northwest student.

"The first night we have supper with the whole family," he said. "It's a time when everyone gets together."

Wine, lamb, bitter herbs and unleavened bread are the symbolic meal of the Passover. The Jews ate only unleavened bread during their escape from death, and the bitter herbs symbolize the misery endured while they were slaves.

"During the rest of it (Passover), I try and keep the holiday customs while here at school," Stein said.

The only problem faced at school is watching for cakes and leavened bread, said Brenner.

"Technically, the silverware and plates should not have been used before, but that's hard to get away from in the cafeteria," he said.

There are very few Jewish students at Northwest, Stein said.

"At certain times of the year it would be nice to spend time with other Jewish students," he said. "It's probably the second most important of Jewish holidays in the year."

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In a Pig's Eye Book's humor could offend

By Eric Bullock

The angles of Heaven are tired of the people on Earth. "Ever since you created them, You've been ignoring us," complains the archangel Michael to God.

So God decides to wipe out humanity. He rearranges the genetic makeup of a certain bacterium and creates a "Killer Syphilis" that thrives on penicillin and runs its fatal course in months instead of decades. In two months, nearly every human on Earth has contracted the disease, and it's been found even in flocks of sheep in some rural areas.

By the time God changes his mind and decides to save humanity, almost every male on Earth is impotent and billions have died. God entrusts the salvation of mankind to a smelly man of remarkably low intelligence named "Pie." Pie, because of his lack of any practice of hygiene, now carries a fungus on a part of his anatomy that destroys the Killer Syphilis. So God commands Pie to "go forth and join with all the women of America."

Despite the ravages of the disease, there are still some 10,000 women in the country, but God gives Pie the strength to cure 20 women a day.

In *A Pig's Eye* is a humorous work on a society gone crazy. Anyone who is particularly religious will find *Pig's Eye* a very sacrilegious and offensive book. God is described as a bored creature, continually looking for surprises. He seeks entertainment in the more unsavory aspects of humanity. In fact, he discovers two people who are so miserable and mean he keeps them alive for over six centuries so he can be entertained by their wickedness.

The author of *In A Pig's Eye*, Viggiani, has studied history and mythology in reference to social conditions and the forces that have determined them. *In A Pig's Eye* pokes fun at humanity's attitudes toward religion. What are our religions based on? What is the nature of God? Did God create us or do we create God?

In describing God, Viggiani says, "God generally took the form of a man, this was in deference to the Judaic-Christian-Islamic theology that dominated the planet. Long ago He'd just as often been female. But he believed in giving people what they wanted."

The language in the book is very rough. People and angels curse each other and God. However, Viggiani has created some of the most ridiculous characters to ever stumble through a story. A doctor and his assistant whose hobby is transforming derelicts into monsters through plastic surgery, a policeman with terminal hemorrhoids, combat two terrorist humanitarians with their worm-monster accomplice. All this insanity is thrown into a society where pork is treated like a dangerous narcotic, and is even more addicting.

Because of the language and the treatment of religion, *In A Pig's Eye* would not be enjoyed by everyone. However, if you have an open mind, its salty humor will have you laughing.

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Tues. - IRC Exec. Officers/Hall Pres. Mtg. - 4 p.m. - Sycamore Room
SHEA Mtg. - 4 p.m. - Administration Bldg.
Baseball vs. Neb. - Lincoln - 2 p.m. - Lincoln
Wed. - IRC Mtg. - 5:15 p.m. - Sycamore Rm.
Thurs. - Missouri Home Economics Ass'n State Meeting - April 15-17 - Kansas City
Baseball vs. Benedictine - Atchison, KS - 1:30 p.m.

Movie review

Neil Simon's new comedy is a success

By Helen Leeper

Producer/writer Neil Simon has once again displayed his versatile talents in his new film "I Oughta Be In Pictures," that is currently number four on the list of new film money-makers.

The film stars Walter Matthau, Ann Margaret and Dina Manoff in the amusing and sometimes tear-jerking story of a daughter (Manoff) who treks to Los Angeles to find the divorced father who she has not seen since early childhood.

Manoff wittily wins her way into the heart of her father (Matthau), a successful screenwriter turned gambler. Margaret portrays Matthau's wealthy girlfriend who helps to bridge the father-

daughter relationship. A criticism the film may foster is that it contains abrupt mood jumps and a strongly resolved ending.

However, as in the traditional Simon style, also characteristic of films like "Chapter Two," "The Goodbye Girl" and "Only When I Laugh," this film succeeds in combining eye-misting moments with hilariously funny lines.

The total result of spending an evening with "I Oughta Be In Pictures" is an enjoyable experience worth the time. While possibly in plot and situation, this movie is in this way a little like a Manilow song -- a good seller.

Raybeats explode on the music scene

By Cristy Claunch

For a new band just out with its first album, to bill themselves as "America's Most Popular Combo" may be a gross overstatement. But, in the case of the Raybeats, they just may be prophesizing the near future.

Their debut album *Guitar Beat* takes

on a nostalgic look at rock music. This campy quartet looks like something from the late fifties. In their narrow cut, matching suits and short styled hair, the Raybeats are truly something from day-gone by.

They carry this nostalgia into their

sound. Their style carries listeners back to the early days of rock to groups like the Ventures. The raw, explosive guitar riffs, along with the tinny keyboards and crying saxophone of this music, just doesn't need words to carry it through successfully, and so there are no vocals.

But, the Raybeats don't limit themselves to this early style of rock. That's just on the surface. Beneath, there's an innovation that says Raybeat alone.

The best cut on *Guitar Beat* is probably "Tight Turn." It starts off explosively and doesn't let up until it's bathed with sweat. The Raybeats use their thumping guitars like each song is their last.

"Piranha Salad" adds a certain campiness to the music that only the Raybeats can do without words. Other good selections on this album include "B-Gas Rickshaw" and "Big Black Sneakers."

The Raybeats are Danny Amis, Don Christensen, Jody Harris and Pat Irwin. They may not be America's most popular combo yet, but with their first album, *Guitar Beat*, this foursome is well on their way.

Greek Week Schedule of Events

Monday Greek sing at the Bell Tower at 5 p.m.
Tuesday State Rep. Everett Brown to speak at 7 p.m. in the Ballroom
Wednesday Family Feud at Charles Johnson Theatre begins at 7 p.m.
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'Cat track team wins first place in meet

By Eric Bullock

The Northwest Missouri State University men's track team captured the first place trophy at their own Invitational Saturday, April 3rd at Rickenbrode Stadium.

The 'Cats scored 194 points to win the meet for the first time in its six year history. Three time defending champion University of Northern Iowa came in second with 155 points, and Central Missouri State University was third with 79 points.

Leading the team in its run for glory was sprinter Ron Nared, who was the meet's high-point scorer with 20 1/2 points, and Charlie White, who won the discus and established a meet record. White, along with steeplechaser Jim Ryun, qualified for the NCAA Division II Championships.

The weather Saturday was extremely windy, with a temperature of only 31°.

Bearcat coach Richard Flanagan said that the weather may have hurt the team's times, but not its scoring.

"We had our kids conditioned to compete under any conditions, and I was proud to see them do that Saturday. That's one of the adversities of life; that you have to face sometimes, and I hope it's a lesson they remember after they get out of school," Flanagan said.

"It turned a cold, bleak day into a

pretty good experience," Flanagan said. "I'm glad we got the meet in. The more meets we get in bad weather, the better prepared we will be when the good weather comes along. The times were not that great, but, under the conditions the team was running in, that was to be expected."

Referring to Nared, Flanagan said, "Ron competed like he's capable of competing. He's got a lot of talent and could add a lot of strength to our team if he continues to perform like he did Saturday. Ron says he's a warm weather runner, but this is two years in a row he's run good races for us in bad weather."

The meet started Saturday morning with the 10,000-meter run, which Rich Schmid, from CMSU, won. Tim Kinder and Mike Emanuele, both of NWMSU, placed third and fourth, respectively. Bearcat Mike Still was disqualified on the questionable ruling that he had stepped off of the track.

Jim Ryun ran away from the pack to easily take the steeplechase. In the 5,000-meter run, Doug Nelson of UNI won first place with Bearcat Clint Walker taking second. In the 1,500-meter run, Dan Denson of Midland won with a time of 4:06 while Greg Crowley ran 4:11.27 to take sixth place for NWMSU.

In the field events, Keith Moore threw the javelin 163'11" to take sixth for the 'Cats. William Jewell's Virgil Horn threw 202'10" to take first place honors. Moore took second in the discus behind teammate Charlie White, who threw it 170'2" to qualify for nationals.

The long jump was won by Bearcat Phil Gates with a jump of 23'6 3/4" and was followed by teammate Richard Berry who jumped 22'4 1/4".

The high jump was won by Randy DeBuhr of Midland who also broke the old meet record held by Tim DeClue, with a jump of 6'10 1/4". DeClue placed third and Richard Berry placed fourth for the 'Cats.

The pole vault was moved inside, because of the weather. Northwest's Ted Peterson tied for second place with Sean Fister of Park College with a jump of 14'6". The event was won by CMSU's Tony Lightfoot who jumped 15'.

Charlie White captured second place in the shotput with a throw of 50'9 1/4", only inches behind UNI's Arnie Dodson's first place toss of 51'6 1/4". Richard Berry won the triple jump by leaping 46'11".

In the sprint events, the 'Cats did exceptionally well. The two-mile relay was won by Park College, but the 'Cats were able to grab third place.

The 440-yard relay found NWMSU running ahead of the rest in a time of 43.65.

James Robinson won the open 400 meter run while Larry Stillman placed third.

Nared took second and Stillman placed third in the 200-meter dash, behind UNI's John Wisman. Nared also won the 100-meter dash, and Alan McCrary took second in that event.

Bearcat Paul White took second in the 800-meter dash just behind UNI's Solomon Anderson.

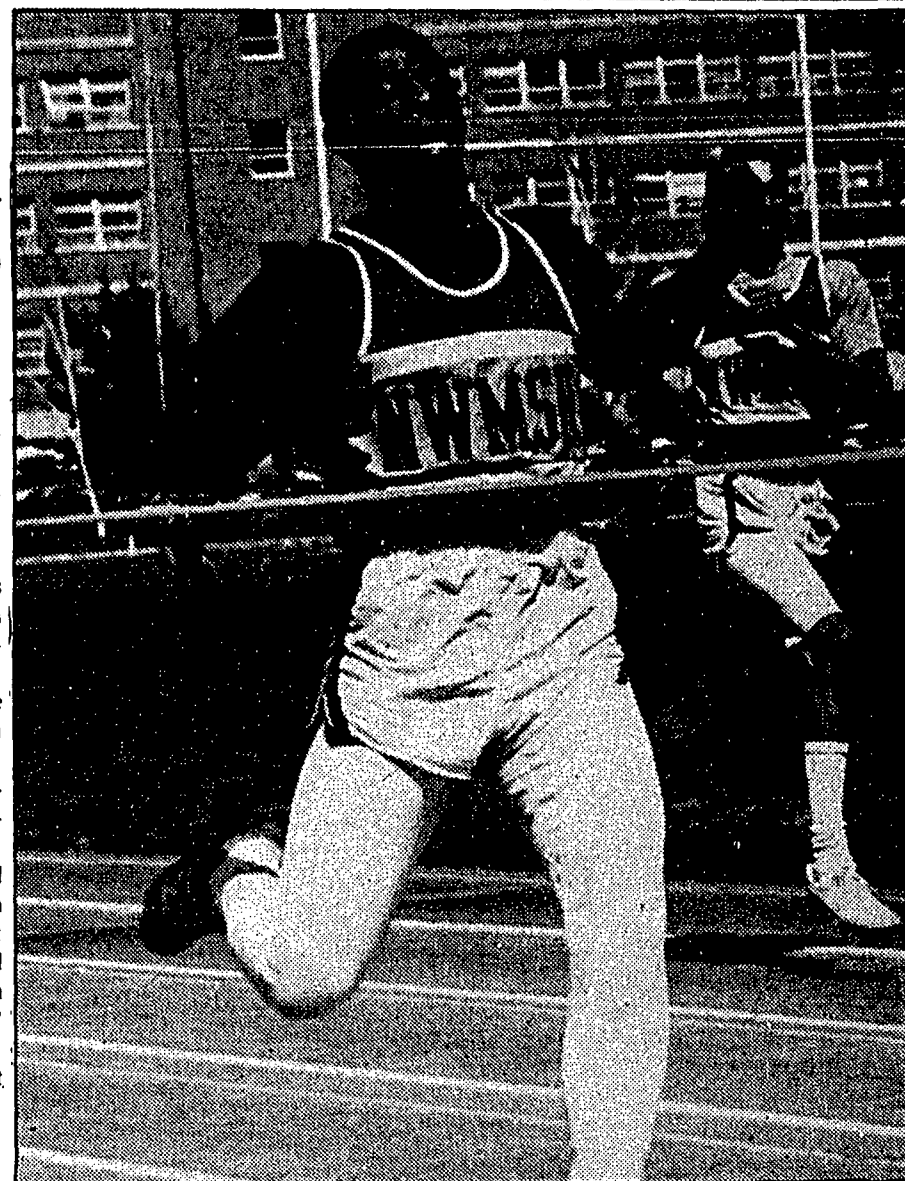
The 400-meter intermediate hurdles was won by UNI's Bret Younger. Keith Youngblood and Keven Frensel took second and sixth, respectively.

Rodney Edge placed fourth in the 110-meter high hurdles which Darwin Featherston from CMSU won.

In the final event, the mile relay, Northwest came in just behind UNI for a second place.

"We took the first place trophy, and that's what we were after. We scored in every event. In some events, we didn't score as high as I thought we should have, but, in other events, we pulled in points that I never expected to get," Flanagan said.

The 'Cats' next meet will be April 12 at Iowa State.



James Robinson breaks the tape in the 400-meter relay. Keith Youngblood, close behind, takes second. (Photo by Bob Dolan)

Baseball team splits with Shockers

By Jon Misfeldt

The Northwest Missouri State University Bearcat baseball team travelled to Wichita, Kansas, Saturday and came home with a split of the doubleheader. The 'Cats won the first game, 7-4, but dropped the night cap by an 8-6 margin.

Even though the 'Cats split, Coach Jim Johnson was pleased with the performance against the NCAA Division I Wheatshockers.

"We're really excited because the Shockers are a real good outfit," Johnson said. "They've beaten Arizona State, and I'd say they are better than Arkansas, (rated number nine in the country) and Kansas State, whom we've already played."

The Bearcats' first bright spot in the first game came when outfielder Steve Phillips cracked a two-run homer in the top of the third inning. Then the 'Cats took advantage of two Shocker errors, two walks and two singles to score three more in that inning, to break open an unexpected 5-0 lead over the Shockers, who led the Division I schools in runs per game and were second in team batting and slugging percentage last year.

However, the Shockers showed their hitting abilities by scoring two in the first, one in the second and five more in the third to give them an 8-1 lead.

But the 'Cats weren't dead yet. Paul Brandt got his ninth and tenth RBIs, to bring the 'Cats back to an 8-5 score. In the ninth, the 'Cats had a chance to go ahead with the bases full, but hopes were ended when the third out came from a ground ball hit by Les Neu.

Tom Funk was the starting pitcher for the 'Cats in the second game, but was relieved by sophomore Scott Hartema after the Shocker's third inning splurge. Hartema gave up no runs and only two hits as he finished the game. Funk's record is now 3-2.

But the Shockers, who brought a 35-7 record into the game, scored one in the sixth and three more runs in the seventh, and trailed the 'Cats 7-4.

Bearcat ace pitcher Dale Kisker went the whole game for his third win of the season, for a season record of 3-2.

Junior catcher Chuck Lynn also had a homerun in the first game, which brought in two runs and gave him his fourth home run of the year. Lynn leads the team in batting average with .389 and runs batted in with 23.

"We had a real good performance from Dale," said Johnson. "Coach Bob Lord went out to the mound to talk to Dale and possibly take him out of the game, but Dale told him that he wanted this win."

In the second game, it looked as though the brightness would continue for the 'Cats as they took an early 1-0 lead on Phillips' double and Lynn's RBI.

"We were so close to winning two from them," Johnson said. "When they scored five runs in that third inning, it really hurt us. It was a crucial turning point in the game."

The Bearcats will take their 13-9-1 against Missouri Western on the Bearcat field Saturday, April 10.

The game scheduled at home on April 11 against William Jewell, The 'Cats then go on to Lincoln, Neb., to play the University of Nebraska on April 13.

Racquetball club meets

By Dave Humpries

The NWMSU Racquetball Club held their first meeting April 1 and had an attendance of seven people.

With the sudden interest in racquetball at Northwest Missouri State University, thanks to the recently completed racquetball courts; students, faculty and area racquetball players have made racquetball the University's number one sport.

"Dr. (Jim) Smeltzer and Dr. (John) Rhoades and myself were talking one day about the interest of the people, and we thought of organizing a club," said Bill Courtney, one of the club's founders. "We spoke with other players who were interested in starting a racquetball club and decided to hold a meeting."

"We spoke of conducting a racquetball clinic, and of holding a tournament to help raise membership dues," Courtney said. "The tournament would give local players the opportunity to play on the new courts as well as give the racquetball club members a chance to compete."

"We are hoping to reserve the courts for members," Courtney said. "We will offer a beginners' division and an advanced division, so that everyone will have an opportunity to play."

The NWMSU Racquetball Club will meet on April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the M Club room at Lamkin Gym. Anyone interested in joining is encouraged to attend.

'Kittens lose at wet tournament

By Mary Sanchez

Today Beal Park will be the site for a match up between Missouri Western State College and the Bearkitten softball team at 3 p.m.

Expressing confidence in her team, Northwest coach Gayla Eckhoff said, "We have the better team."

Thursday, the squad took their talents to Central Missouri State University for a triangular match with CMSU and Lincoln University. CMSU had lost to the 'Kittens earlier this season in Pittsburg, Kansas.

The recent return of winter denied Northwest access to the mound earlier this week. Tuesday, Kirksville was to have been the site of a Northwest-

Northeast matchup. Monday, the team was scheduled to play Iowa Lakes Community College. Snow-covered fields cancelled both games. Eckhoff will attempt to have the Northeast game rescheduled.

The 'Kittens were defeated at the Southwest Missouri State Invitational in Springfield. Pitted against 18 other teams, the squad lost all four games of the pool play.

"We didn't play as well as I would have hoped we would," said Eckhoff.

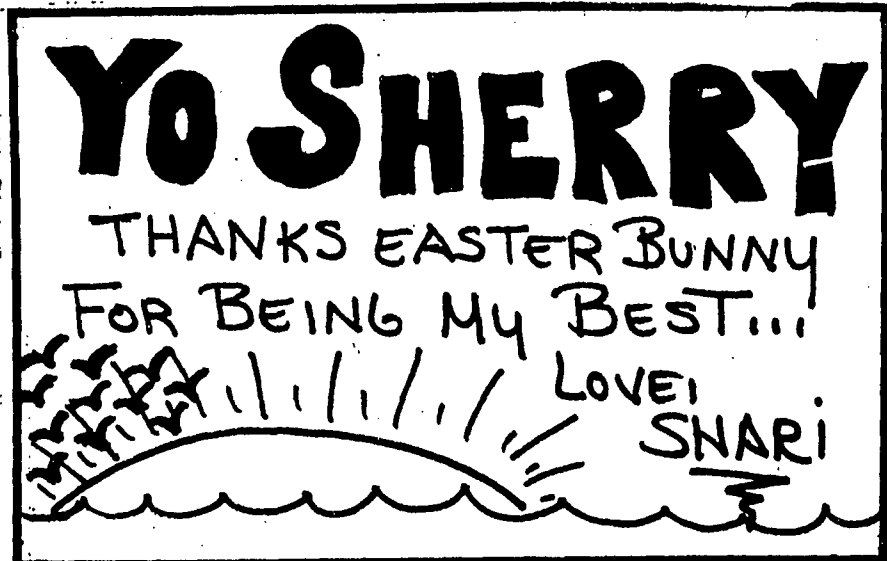
Against Louisiana Tech, the 'Kittens lost 3-2. During the game, Lisa Hatcher hit a grand slam homerun with bases loaded. Unfortunately the play resulted

in only one run for Northwest because one of the girls left her base too early. Diane Smith scored the only other Bearkitten point by hitting a homerun.

Illinois State was next to crush the 'Kittens' record with a 6-5 win. One highlight was Teresa Gumm's homerun hit. "At the time we left the invitational, Illinois was undefeated," said Eckhoff.

Northwest's worse defeat of the weekend was their 12-1 loss to Oklahoma University in five innings.

Against Iowa State, the 'Kittens again could only score one run. The run was made by Keri Gorsuch. The final score of the Iowa State game was 2-1.



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Ballard raises stolen base record to 65

By Cathy Crist

It's his quickness, both physical and mental that has led East Peoria, Ill., junior, Ron Ballard to a new Bearcat career stolen base record. Ballard stole his 65th base April 4 at Wichita State. The steal was his 23rd for the season. Ballard's exceptional speed on the bases comes naturally.

"Ron adds a lot to the team because of his speed," said head coach Jim Johnson. "He has a natural, God-given talent in running and knows when and how to use it. The average steal time is about 3.5 seconds, Ron's time is consistently between 3.3 and 3.4 seconds."

In addition to his physical speed, Ballard has been given the responsibility of taking the steal without Coach Johnson's go-ahead.

"Coach lets me have the green-light," Ballard said. "I get the feel to steal and go on my own. It happens (stealing) split-second, and so far it works."

"I let Ron make his own decisions on the bases," Johnson said. "He can take better advantage of his speed and get into scoring position without the sacrifice. He has the knowledge to know when to go and when not to."

Johnson noted one of Ballard's exceptional base-stealing techniques and believes that only the best base stealers use it.

"Ron accelerates in the middle 30 feet on the run," Johnson said. "That's the most important part of the run so that the speed isn't lost. Most players coast in that middle third, but the good ones don't."

The centerfielder believes that Johnson's new winter weight training program has given him an edge over other players.

"I'm in better shape this season because of our new winter weight program," Ballard said. "After spending so

much time working on being better, it's harder to give up in the game. I like the all-year program because of the mental edge it's given me."

Ballard's successful attempts on the bases are a part of his career at Northwest. His freshman year, Ballard stole 25 bases, which earned him first place in steals in the MIAA, and has been an all-conference centerfielder for the last two years.

Being outstanding on the bases isn't Ballard's only strong point. Johnson sees Ballard as having an advantage in the outfield because of his speed.

"Ron's speed lets him cover a lot of territory in the outfield," Johnson said. "He has an exceptional glove and sense for the ball."

"I'm constantly working on my defensive fundamentals because they aren't as good as my offensive skills," Ballard said.

Ballard's lead-off position is important to the team's offensive outcome, Johnson said.

"Ron knows that he needs to get on the base for us to do well. He realizes that he's got to be a leader for us," Johnson said.

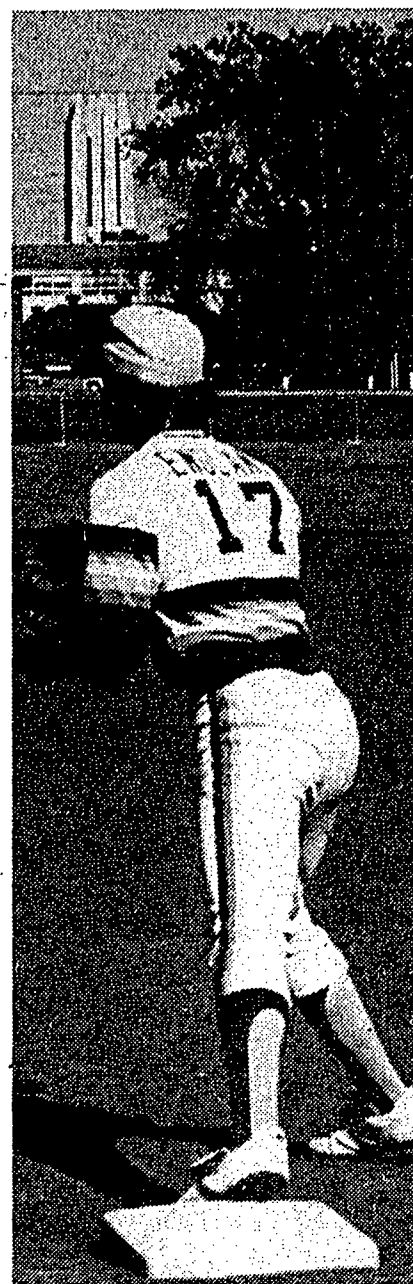
"It's important that I get on base in order for us to score," Ballard said. "Being the lead-off man kind of sets the pace for the other guys behind me."

With the career stolen base record now his, Ballard is on his way to a season stolen base record with 23, only 13 away from Mike Wulbecker's 1972 record of 36.

"I'd like to get the season stolen base record," Ballard said. "I want to win conference, go on to regional, and I can see us in the College World Series. I want to steal 100 bases before I leave Northwest, and I believe that it can be done."



'Cat centerfielder Ron Ballard (left) has broken the all-time base-stealing record and is aiming for the most steals in one season record. Sophomore first baseman Paul England has tied the record for career triples and hopes for more in the future. Both men are looking into the rest of the 'Cat season for more additions to the records.



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Northwest Missouri State sophomore first-baseman Paul England has tied the school single-season record for triples with six so far this year, and there are many games left for him to establish a new record.

"I'm not known for my power hitting," England said. "I just try to make good contact with the ball."

England, from Kansas City's Ruskin High School, believes that his power is a result of the winter-weight program that Head Coach Jim Johnson has established for the 'Cats.

"I've always enjoyed lifting weights," England said. "I think that Coach Johnson's winter program has helped me a lot."

Johnson believes that, for his size England has tremendous strength.

"His strength is shown when he hits the ball," Johnson said. "I think that the winter program has brought him around to be a power hitter. Now he attacks the ball solidly and with discipline every time."

Although Paul considers himself to be a good offensive player, Johnson also believes in his outstanding defensive skills.

"Paul has excellent fielding skills for a first baseman," Johnson said. "He has good enough speed to be in the outfield and a good sense for where the ball is going."

"England's success at the plate is related to his eagerness to play and love of the game," Johnson said.

"Paul is a high quality character player," Johnson said. "He has a love for the game of baseball that is essential for good playing, but not everyone has it."

"I'm willing to work to improve my game," England said. "Out on the field I'm out there to have fun, not because it has to be done as work."

England has had the most success in hitting triples off right-handed pitchers and fast balls.

England ties triples

"I like 'one pitch, the fast ball,'" England said. "I watch the pitcher before I get up to bat and look for the kind of ball I want."

Being only a sophomore, on a relatively young Bearcat team, has given England incentive to be one of the best, and Johnson foresees England as a future prospect for the professional leagues.

"The scouts aren't talking about Paul now, but they'll never find a better fielding first baseman that can hit as well as he does."

England wants to break the record this season.

"I'd like to go for 10 or 11 triples this year," he said. "That's a challenge, but it's possible."

Maturity has shown in England's ball playing, and he believes that to be important in helping the team.

"In high school, it was more of an individual effort in a game," England said. "Now, in college ball, it's more of a team effort. It's not all alone-person show. Everyone does little things for the team."

"Paul's easy-going attitude about the game has helped the team this season," said Johnson. "Paul enjoys all things with the game of baseball. He doesn't let things get him down, and he's there to bring the other players up. Paul enjoys life in general."

Johnson sees England as the overall best first-baseman around.

"Paul has a good shoulder, arm and hand strength and great hand-eye coordination," Johnson said. "Along with his fine attitude, his power has been an asset to the team."

England's relaxed, yet serious attitude towards baseball is reflected in his philosophy about the game.

"Just go out and do the best you can," England said. "It's important to know how to be a good winner as well as a good loser."

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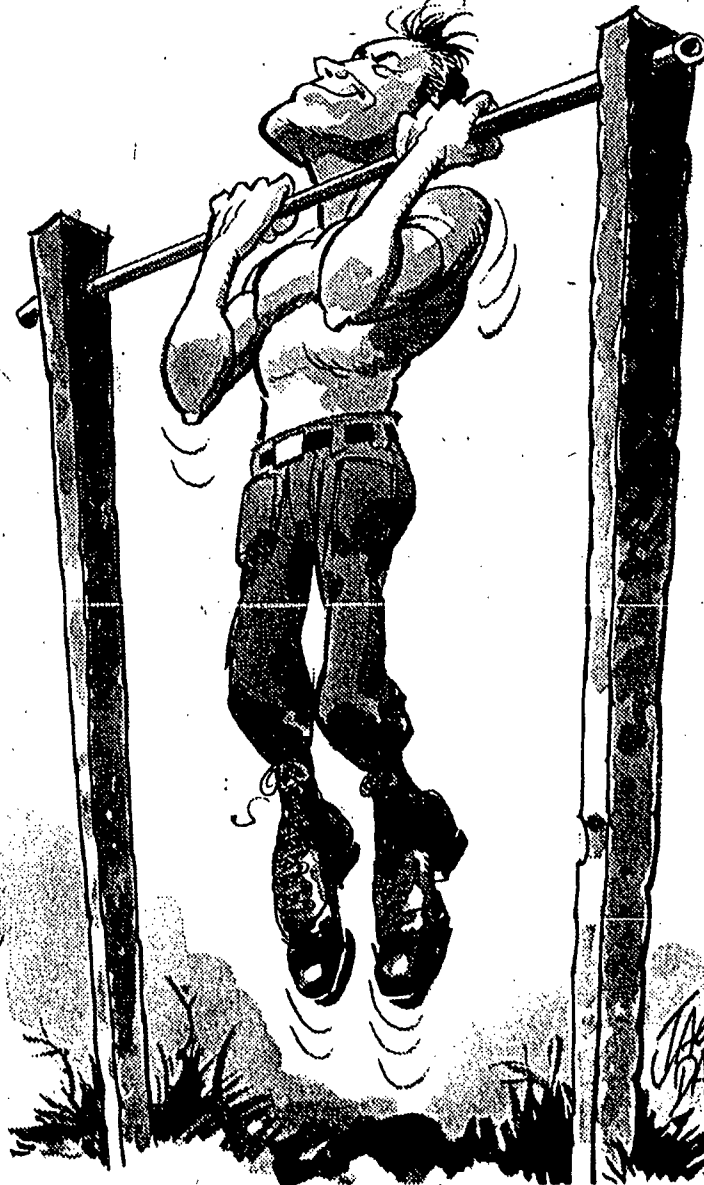
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